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Limestone County's Flower Hill Farm Added to Alabama Register

The Alabama Historical Commission recently listed Flower Hill Farm, also known as the Harris-Pryor House, to the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage.

The Alabama Register is an official listing of buildings, sites, structures, objects, and districts. These properties, which may be of national, state, and local significance, are deemed worthy of preservation by the Alabama Historical Commission.

Located on US Highway 31 in Tanner, Flower Hill Farm is listed in the Alabama Register for its architectural significance. "The house is an excellent example of 1850s Greek Revival architecture that has survived throughout several generations," said Lee Anne Wofford of the Alabama Historical Commission.

Schuyler Harris built the house about 1856 on land once owned by Henry Augustine Washington, a distant relative of the first President. Through purchases, marriages, and inheritance between the Washington, Harris, and Pryor families, all from Virginia, a large plantation of over 3000 acres was established. The property is held in trust for future generations and is managed through a family corporation.

Listing to the Alabama Register is an honorary designation and carries no restrictions or financial incentives.

To protect, preserve, and interpret Alabama's historic places is the mission of the Alabama Historical Commission, Alabama's state agency for historic preservation.